

# Learning Collaborative Presentation Diabetes Group Visit

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## **Community Priorities**



# Community Health Needs Assessment of Trenton, New Jersey

- Poverty and Obesity are positively correlated with diabetes
  - \* 36% of Trenton residents live 200% below the poverty level
  - **†** 39% of Trenton residents are obese
  - † 10% of US population has diabetes vs. 16% of Trenton
- Minority populations are at high risk for diabetes
  - **†** 46% of Trenton residents are African American

#### It Takes a Village!

- To sustain and grow our DSRIP program, we need MULTIPLE DISCIPLINES to continue to collaborate & participate
- Project work teams include senior leadership, physicians, nurses, care coordinators, IT support
- Various fields of expertise needed to improve diabetes outcomes in our patient population

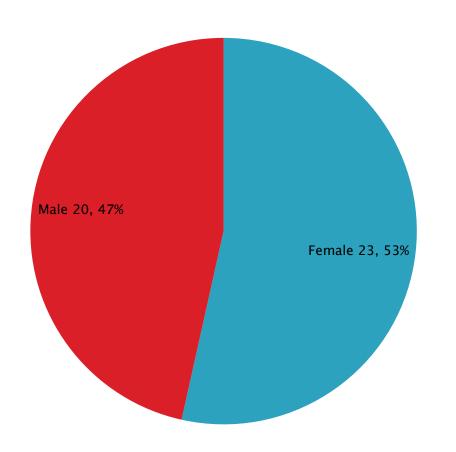
## **DSRIP** Looking to the Future

- Ultimately, want to be vehicle to improve care for patients with diabetes, not just a revenue stream
- Many challenges in our patient population
  - Low health literacy
  - Cultural/language differences
  - Socio-economic challenges
  - General mistrust of the medical community
- Impetus for changes in our management of patients with diabetes – Implementation of Best Practices
- Multidisciplinary staff engagement and collaboration critical for success

#### What is the Group Visit?

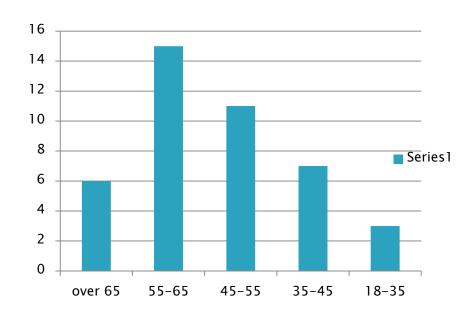
- Group Visits are conducted on site as well as off site
- Referrals generated from patient self-referral, healthcare provider referral, community referral
- Pre- and Post-questionnaires completed to assess for increased knowledge of diabetes self-management skills
- Patients establish goals that they will continue to work on after group visit completed

## Who are our Participants?

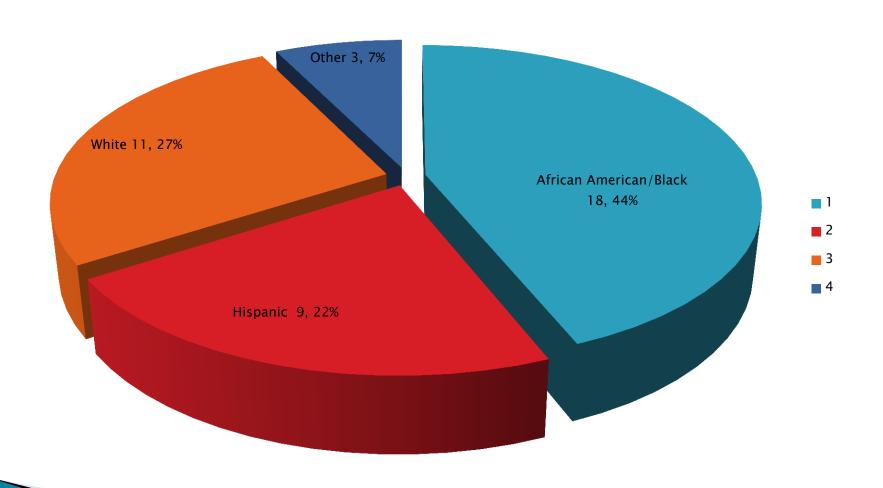


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#### Age groups



## Ethnicity



#### Participant Testimonial

My name is Rafael Fernandez, I have to say that after I have been in the program, I feel much better and my sugar levels completely controlled, with all the foods that have been presented to me and with the diet I am doing, really good. I give thanks to everyone who has worked with us in helping us reach our goal, my diabetics level are between 140 to the number of 130 and some at 120 another day, special thanks to the team.

Sincerely who loves you all with all my heart Rafael Fernandez May God Bless you



#### Graduation Class of August 2014

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#### Lessons Learned....

- The social issues uncovered during our first Group Visit were overwhelming to the DSRIP Team:
  - Lack of trust in the medical community
  - Inability to navigate the Medicaid System
  - Lack of knowledge of community and hospital resources
  - Financial barriers
  - Lack of transportation to the group visit

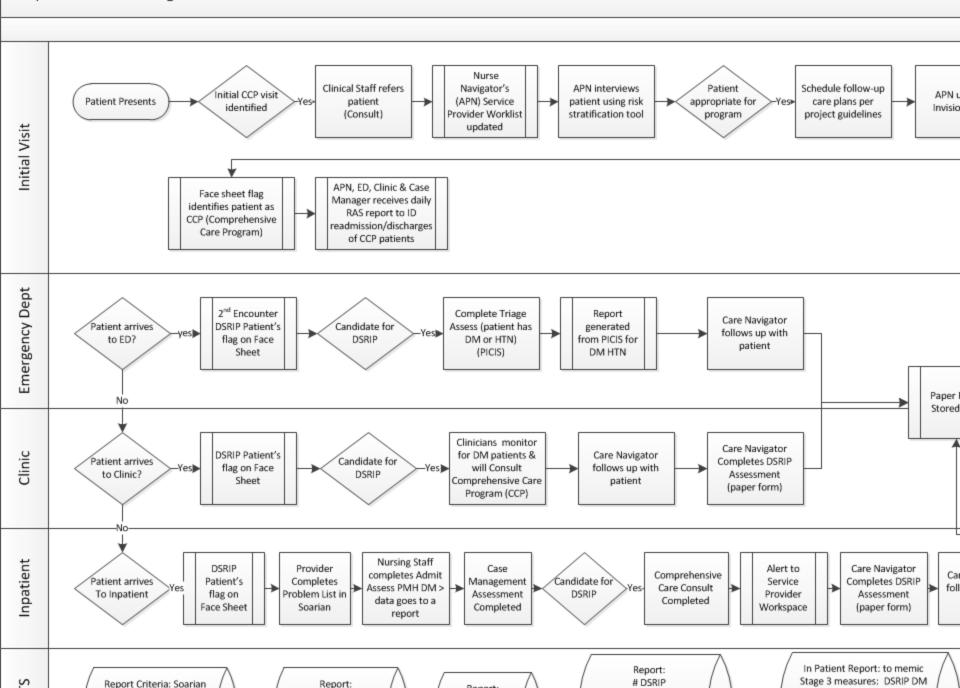
#### **Evaluations**

- From the data collected from the weekly program evaluation tool, the program curriculum was adapted to meet the needs of the participants
  - Length of program revised
  - Nutritional Education was increased from 1 to 2 weeks, totaling 3 hours of instruction time
  - The nutritionists included meal planning on a budget in their presentation
  - A session was devoted to depression and stress management moderated by the APN and Social Worker

#### Internal versus External Group Visits

- Internal group visits are generated from our referral sources such ED, Inpatient, and clinic
- External group visits are initiated through community partnership
- Rewards of External group visit
  - Building partnerships for the future
  - Educating the community of the SFMC clinical services

#### Comprehensive Care Program Diabetes



#### DSRIP DIABETES PATIENT FLOW PROCESS

**ED – TREAT and RELEASE** 

**PATIENT IS TRIAGED** 

PATIENT EXAMINED BY ED
PHYSICIAN

History Of Diabetes / Diagnosis Of Diabetes

S W Refers to Diabetes Transition APN using AllScript Admitted to Inpatient TRIAGED

H&P , Chief Complains / Nursing Assessment

Random Findings from Blood Work

**Diagnosis of Diabetes** 

S W Refers to Diabetes Transition APN using AllScript Nursing Consult using Soarian **Evaluated in the Medical Clinic** 

Diagnosis of Diabetes

**DIAGNOSTIC RESULTS** 

Patients referred for Group
Visit PHYSICIAN



#### **Diabetes Self-Management Team**

Assessment of Patients Using Risk Stratification Tool

**Schedule Clinic Appointments** 

Recommend & Refer Educational Modalities

Schedule For Group visit

Order Appropriate Tests & follow up

Home Visit

Social /Medication Assistance Coordinate Home Visit Schedule For Group visit

Other Assistance Coordinate Home Visit Schedule For Group visit

#### **Group Visit Model Medical Management Provider Education Group Visit Endocrinologist Visit** Standards of Care for **Group Education** Management of Diabetes **Disease Management** APN Assessment / **Review of Clinical** Reassessment Information BRIDGING **ORDERS WRITTEN** Self-Care Skills **Tests / Examination** HbA1c, Clinical Outcomes review **Foot Exam** Eye Exam Food & Nutritional Lipid profile Counselling Review & Revise protocols Physical / Fitness Refer to other specialties / Follow up at the Clinic Review of DSRIP measures

& PI activities

#### **DSRIP** Achievements: Inpatient

- Implemented insulin pump protocol for inpatients
- Established insulin drip protocol for hyperglycemia
- Redefined hypoglycemia threshold and treatment
- Redefined aspart supplemental scale administration guidelines
- Identified and attempt to rectify issues with inpatient DM nutrition
- Developed DM education handout for inpatient/outpatient use

#### **DSRIP** Achievements: Outpatient

- Weekly DM clinic with Endocrinologist and APN
- Clinical Decision Support Initiative implemented to improve workflow and to break down barriers within the organization
  - Improve access of care
  - Decrease wait time
  - Avoid duplication of services
- Incorporate Lab Corp services into the clinic

#### **Provider Education**

- Ongoing Nursing Education
  - Insulin pump management
  - Insulin drip protocol
  - Inpatient DM management guidelines
  - Hypoglycemia management
  - Patient education handbook
- Ongoing Medical Education
  - Resident lectures
  - Resident endocrine electives
  - Diabetes Grand Rounds
  - Round table and topic discussions for providers
  - Case Studies

#### Challenges with Medication Access

- Medicaid/NJ Horizon
  - Generally good access to meds because patients can go to any pharmacy and get Rx filled as long as medication on formulary
  - Challenge: getting non-formulary meds covered
- Medicare
  - Challenge: finding out what is on the formulary list due to multiple types of plans
  - Challenge: getting non-formulary meds covered
- Charity Care
  - Challenge: prescribing meds other than generic metformin or sulfonylurea (NO AFFORDABLE INSULIN OR OTHER BRANDED CLASS OF DRUGS, limited to Shop Rite or Walmart)
  - Challenge: access to affordable test strips and glucometers



# Take Charge of Your Diabetes



















## Patient Teaching Guide

- Developed in-house for our patient population to be utilized for inpatients and outpatients
- Professional patient teaching tool created by internal team
- Clear and simple language used to ensure the diabetes concepts readily understood
- Standardized information to be used in all hospital settings
- In-servicing professionals in multiple disciplines so that the education is consistent

# Challenge: Identification of project partner



#### Conclusion

- DSRIP has been an important project at St Francis Medical Center and has shed light on multiple areas for improvement
  - The need for individual improvement, on both the provider and patient level
  - The need for hospital improvement, in both the inpatient and outpatient hospital setting
- With our DSRIP inspired multiple interventions, we strive to increase hospital and community awareness of this chronic disease